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State Treasurer Wraps up 4th Unclaimed Property Outreach Tour

In 4 years, Treasurer Sass has visited all 72 counties every year; helped to return \$100 million to WI residents

MADIS ON – The Office of the State Treasurer is poised to break another record this year in the amount of claims paid out to Wisconsin residents as the State Treasurer concludes her 4th Outreach Tour across the state.

"I made it my goal to reach out to all state residents to try and give them money they may have forgotten about", Treasurer Sass said. "While crisscrossing the state these past 4 years, I have been honored to help thousands of people get their money back."

In Fond du Lac earlier this year, the Treasurer and staff helped a woman claim more than \$102,000 the state had been holding for more than 15 years. Just a few weeks ago, during a visit in Superior, a man brought his elderly mother to the Superior Public Library to claim \$35,000 she didn't even know she had.

As of October 21, 2010 the Office has processed 29,710 claims – already breaking a record with a little more than 2 months left in the year. So far in 2010, the Office has returned \$24,416,023 to residents; that's an average of nearly \$2,500,000 a month returned to Wisconsinites. In 2009, Treasury Staff returned \$26,801,064.

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